



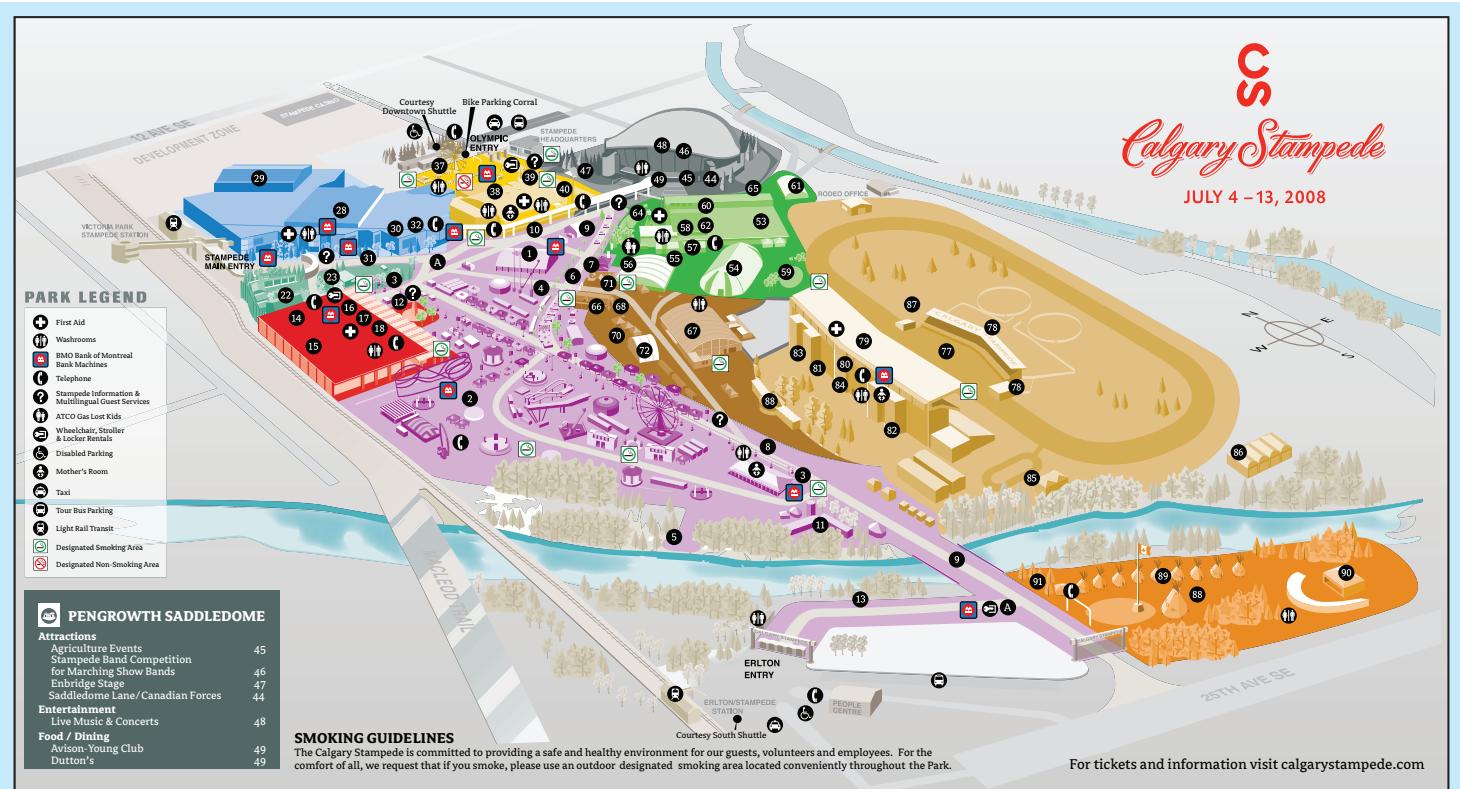
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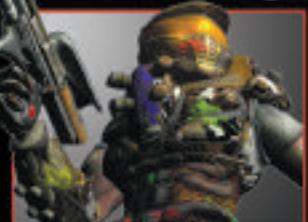
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## Eight escape two-storey house fire

Eight people managed to escape a raging house fire safely in Falconridge Wednesday night.

The fire department's Jeff Budai said the two-storey home caught fire around 10 p.m. and crews had to cut through the roof to douse the fire.

"Everyone made it out OK and they were lucky to have friends and family help them out and somewhere to stay," he said, adding four adults and two children were unharmed.

The cause has been determined.

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## Dance away to Mamma

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Swim suits that flatter



Kevin Schellenberg has a drink yesterday evening at Bootlegger's Sports Bar, pondering the August 1 loss of happy hour and cheap liquor — outlawed today by the province. Schellenberg says that Happy Hour has been around for as long as he could remember giving the new rules by lawmakers the thumbs down.

# Happy time is over

New regulations a sobering shot to binge drinkers

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**Provincewide partiers are about to face their unhappiest hour, as the government has ordered rowdy bargain drinkers to put a cork in it.**

As of August 1, happy hours, ultra-low drink specials, and pounding back a row of drinks before last call will be a thing of the past, as new regulations to curb binge-drinking set in.

"The intention is to slow the level of service down during times that are more sensitive to trouble happening," said Mike Shymka, Alberta Hotel and Lodging Association rep. "The intention with the minimum drink prices is also to slow service in a short period of time."

Translation: If you want to go out and drink your face off, you better do it early, and bring a full wallet.

"People will still drink regardless of what it costs,

### cut off

Among the new regulations, drinkers will only be allowed to grab two drinks at a time after 1 a.m.

like people still smoke regardless of the cost, and people still drive regardless of how much gas costs," said Sam, who's been working as a bartender in Edmonton for 10 years.

Jaime Gordon, general manager of Bottlescrew

Bill's Pub at 140 — 10 Ave. SW in Calgary said the pub introduced its own price increases a few years ago in an effort to upgrade their clientele and cut back on "the younger folks who would come with \$20, get absolutely smashed and puke all over the place."

Gordon said she can't understand how any bar could afford sell cheap booze — even for the price instituted by the province.

"That's pretty much giving it away," she said.

—with files from Neil MacKinnon

## Traffic stop leads to child porn charges

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What began as a routine traffic stop ended with child pornography charges against a Calgary-area man.

The Southern Alberta Integrated Child Exploitation team was called in after uniformed officers pulled over a 31-year-old Priddis man in Cochrane May 13 for undisclosed traffic reasons, according to police.

"The charges are a byproduct of a traffic stop conducted by uniformed police officers and what they observed led to the subsequent search," Staff Sgt. Doug Andrus said.

Because of the publication ban and nature of the charges, police will not be releasing the suspect's name to protect the victim who is with her mother now and under 16 years old, according to Andrus.

"We look at all of our investigations seriously. The investigation is still ongoing but we don't believe there are other victims."

Police conducted search warrants on the vehicle, a Cochrane home and a Calgary business.

The man has been charged with one count each of manufacturing child porn, possession of child porn, accessing child porn and voyeurism, a relatively new charge. He is set to appear in court Aug. 7.

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**Stampede kick-off**

From marching bands to horse-drawn carriages, the 2008 Calgary Stampede will boast 170 entries, with more than 4,000 participants and 800 horses. An F-18 flyover and ribbon-cutting will kick off the parade today at 8:45 a.m. **METRO CALGARY**

# Local



***“That ride is so awesome! It’s the whole reason I came here.”***

Dallas Hieb, 19, after getting off the Skyscraper ride at the Calgary Stampede Sneak-a-Peek last night.

## Photo radar warning

Calgarians are warned to watch their speed along Deerfoot and Highway 22X especially in July as photo radar is being deployed along these routes. There will also be a concentrated focus along Glenmore Trail and in construction and playground zones. **METRO CALGARY**

# City unrolls wish list for next provincial budget

Calls for property tax cap, policing grant raised as high as \$50 per capita

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**It's wish list time.**  
The last provincial budget, which was applauded by Calgary council for funding 41 new police officers, was also met with equal dismay over a \$44.6-million increase in education property taxes, about one-third of the provincial requisition.

The city's intergovern-



**“...our main challenge is to maintain a semblance of accountability. We have to look like a municipality that treats their money properly so we can be trusted with more.”**

Ald. Ric McIver

mental affairs committee unrolled its future want list yesterday, calling on the province to cap total provincial property tax at \$1.2 billion and reduce it by \$240 million annually until it's gone, allowing

municipalities to eventually fill vacated tax room.

The city will also prod the province to raise the municipal policing assistance grant as high as \$50 per capita for “existing and emerging pressures

and challenges facing the Calgary police service,” according to the report, which calls the current \$16 per capita funding “inadequate” while also encouraging the province to “assume responsibility for the arrest processing function, including the facility, staff and operating budget.”

Ald. Ric McIver, who is heading up an Alberta Urban Municipal Affairs committee in the process of drafting a report reviewing policing and

emergency services funding, said he doesn’t know how realistic the city requests are, but they need to be made nonetheless.

And he figures \$60 per capita for policing would be a much better number.

“I just don’t think \$50 per capita is high enough,” he said. “But our main challenge is to maintain a semblance of accountability. We have to look like a municipality that treats their money properly so we can be trusted with more.”

## Pathway patrol ‘positive’

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A two-week pathway crackdown and educational campaign conducted by city by-law, city police and parks was a smooth ride.

Calgary police were patrolling the city’s pathways for the first week during the day and the second week during the night to provide a perceptibly safer environment for Calgarians.

“It was good to have a uniformed presence, and people had very positive feedback so I would say it’s a success,” police Insp. Bob Ritchie told Metro, adding it will happen again in the future.

According to police, 249 summonses were laid; eight Criminal Code charges laid, and police seized 14 grams of cocaine, nine grams of hashish oil and 515 grams of marijuana.

**350,000**

That's how many people are at the Stampede parade annually, and the morning festivities that kick off the 10 days of rodeo fun is televised internationally.

## ‘Cool stuff’ at The Gateway

**TOP FLOOR** If the hot sun and the large crowds have you feeling a bit overwhelmed this Stampede, then check out The Getaway.

Located in the top floor of the Big 4 Building at Stampede Park is one of the coolest places to be inside during the Stampede — challenging visitors to play like Eddie Van Halen, shoot like Wayne Gretzky and strut the catwalk like Tricia Helfer. “It’s really unique and it’s all new. There is just so much cool stuff for people to do in here just to get away from the heat and crowds outside,” entertainment manager Roderick Tate told Metro.

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## Homeless commitment reaffirmed

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Tim Richter wishes it was all dealt with two years ago, but realizes these things take time.

“As much as I wish there was, there is no overnight solution,” said the “very pleased” president of Calgary’s Homeless Foundation after the city’s intergovernmental affairs committee reaffirmed its commitment to its 10-year plan to end homelessness yesterday, approving a report for areas of implementation that will hopefully help get more than 3,000 people off Calgary streets.

The report, which stressed a need to streamline access to affordable housing and further develop Project Homeless Connect opportunities to meet the day-to-day needs of homeless people, “should certainly help people overcome a major obstacle in getting the support they need to get off of the streets,” Richter said.

As well, plans were put into place to create a future “Opportunity Centre,” which would add an ounce of preventative social service — likely in the area of addiction prevention.



Const. P.J. Demuriak, recruiting section Alberta RCMP Northwest Region, shows off the new retro-painted interceptors — put into service to commemorate the Mounties' 135th anniversary — and will be hitting the streets for traffic enforcement soon.

## RCMP cruisers go retro

**ALICIA FOX**  
for Metro Calgary

It's not a prank: That retro car you see flashing its lights behind you really is going to pull you over.

Celebrating its 135th anniversary this year, the RCMP is giving itself a great big gift — 12 to be exact — in the form of pretty new toys that aren't playthings at all, driving around the province in new cars that

**“(It creates) great buzz within our organization and outside our organization.”**

Insp. James Stiles

look like they belong back in the '50s and '70s.

Some cars will have the traditional black-and-white colour scheme with the dome and “stop police”

lights, while others will be in centennial blue with white doors, but all will be equipped with very modern gear.

“It was a lot of work to get these vehicles all fitted up,” said Insp. James Stiles, the officer in charge of the K division traffic services and stationed in Edmonton.

“Proud of our past, committed to the future,” read the cars.

Also new to the fleet are four motorcycles, which

haven't been around for a long time. Their effectiveness will be evaluated at the end of the year.

The cars were Deputy Commissioner Rod Knecht's idea, and will be used on a daily basis as well as make the occasional appearance at parades or special events.

“Right now they’re a little bit of a novelty,” said Stiles. “(But) it creates great buzz within our organization and outside our organization.”

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# Largest mosque on Prairie

## 48,000 square foot facility opens on Saturday



A 48,000 square foot mosque built in northeast Calgary is the biggest in the country and its opening this Saturday is expected to draw 5,000 people.

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**Women gave their jewelry, children smashed their piggybanks, and families took out second mortgages or sold their homes outright.**

It's the house nearly two decades of sacrifice built, it's the "house of God that is open for all," it's Canada's largest mosque, funded solely by the selflessness of its congregation that the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community hope will help bridge the gap of un-

**"... we want to foster understanding, we want to provide a place that is open to debate and discussion..."**

Dr. Safeer Khan

derstanding between all of Calgary's faithful for generations to come, said Dr. Safeer Khan.

"We don't only want other people to know about us, what we stand for, we want to know about them, we want to foster understanding, we want to provide a place that is open to debate and discussion, where reli-

gious leaders and normal people can come and openly share their viewpoints," said Khan, noting extremist interpretations of violent jihad have put a negative stigma on Islam and he wants that to change.

"We have such tremendous joy in our hearts right now."

Ahmadiyya children are

now buying fancy clothes, Khan bought four cots and put them in his basement and the community has opened their homes for hundreds who are streaming into Calgary from abroad without a place to stay for the 48,000 square foot, \$17 million mosque's official opening at 4353 54 Avenue NE Saturday, expected to draw 5,000 people including Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

"We're extremely excited," said Ahamadiyya Canada's Farhan Khokhar. "We're just enjoying every moment of it."

## 6th Avenue open for parade route

**STAMPEDE.** In a celebration fit for the Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth, 6th Avenue in downtown Calgary was opened up for a Stampede breakfast yesterday on time for tomorrow's Stampede parade.

Some concern arose and preparations were in place to alter the parade route in the event construction of the Encana building fell behind schedule. The route along 6 Ave has been parade tradition for decades.

The often-busy commuter corridor has been shut down for the past year.

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## Edmonton escort strangled: Autopsy

**MURDER.** Autopsy results on a slain escort found buried in a backyard of an Edmonton home have revealed that the 20-year-old was strangled to death.

Chantel Robertson was reported missing on Saturday, after she was dropped off at a client's home and didn't meet a waiting driver from her escort agency at pick-up time.

After combing the area for two days, police found Robertson's body buried in the backyard of the home.

Matthew Todd Barrett, 24, was charged with first-degree murder and committing indignity to a body.

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## Secondary suites hit roadblock

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Calgary's secondary suite dilemma is "a long ways" from resolution, said Ald. Jim Stevenson.

The committee asked administration to prepare costing reports before they can move forward on a pilot project, seeking to legitimize 50 "illegal suites" throughout the city.

Stevenson said he "will fight against" an administration recommendation to provide interest free incentive loans of up to \$25,000 favouring full payback with interest, and add that he's all for allow-

ing the pilot project to proceed in multi-family and duplex type residences already in operation, but not for single-family dwellings.

"If you take a residential street that has 25 illegal suites and half of them are legalized, we put ourselves in a situation where when we get complaints about the one's down the road that are still illegal, we have to shut them down," he said. "In effect, we'd be cutting down on the number of available suites instead of increasing it."

The issue will come back to the committee in September.

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# Canada

**"We're really pleased about it."**

The Canadian Space Agency confirming that three Nunavut residents have met the agency's preliminary requirements to travel into space.



PM Stephen Harper

## Harper faces challenges at Japan G8

**AGRICULTURE.** A food crisis is just one of the daunting challenges, Prime Minister Stephen Harper and other world leaders are faced with at the annual Group of Eight summit next week in Japan.

Industrialized nations of the G8 are under intense pressure to take immediate joint action to increase aid significantly to developing countries.

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## Québec is 400 years old

**The downpour that drenched Quebec City as it celebrated its 400th birthday wasn't nearly enough to dampen the pomp and circumstance of the celebrations and, if anything, it added a tint of historical accuracy.**

Régis Labeaume, the city's ebullient mayor, pointed out that accounts from 1608 refer to heavy rains the day Samuel de Champlain landed to set up Nouvelle France's first non-native settlement.

Fittingly, several hundred hardy souls donned slickers or raised umbrellas to take in the celebrations, the focal point being a tribute to Champlain from a raft of dignitaries that included Governor General Michaëlle Jean,



Canadian dignitaries pose in front of the Samuel de Champlain statue after a ceremony celebrating the 400th year of foundation of Quebec City yesterday.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper and French Prime Minister François Fillon, who also huddled under

umbrellas.

"The seeds planted here 400 years ago today have blossomed into a magnificent city, a strong and proud Québécois nation, and a great Canadian country, strong and free. What an amazing legacy," Harper said.

The Prime Minister said the city's anniversary was important for all Canadians because Champlain's landing "really marks the beginning of what we have become today. Where I come from they say all Canadians must have two cities in his or her heart: their own and Quebec City. Because it is the most beautiful city in Canada, the most enchanting — a city that radiates joie de vivre."

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### News in brief

**TORONTO 18.** A police agent who is the Crown's star witness in a homegrown terror trial has pleaded guilty to threatening to chop off the legs of two 12-year-old girls.

Mubin Shaikh, 32, was given a one-year conditional discharge yesterday. He is testifying at the "Toronto 18" trial.

**SUBMARINES** The Conservative government has signed \$370 million contract with West Coast firm, Canadian Submarine Management Group, to refit Canada's four Victoria Class submarines.

**POLITICS.** A new opinion poll has the federal Conservatives and Liberals tied at 31 per cent support nationally, with Stephen Harper's Tories losing ground in Quebec. The Harris-Decima poll suggested different ideal on climate change were hurting the Tories.

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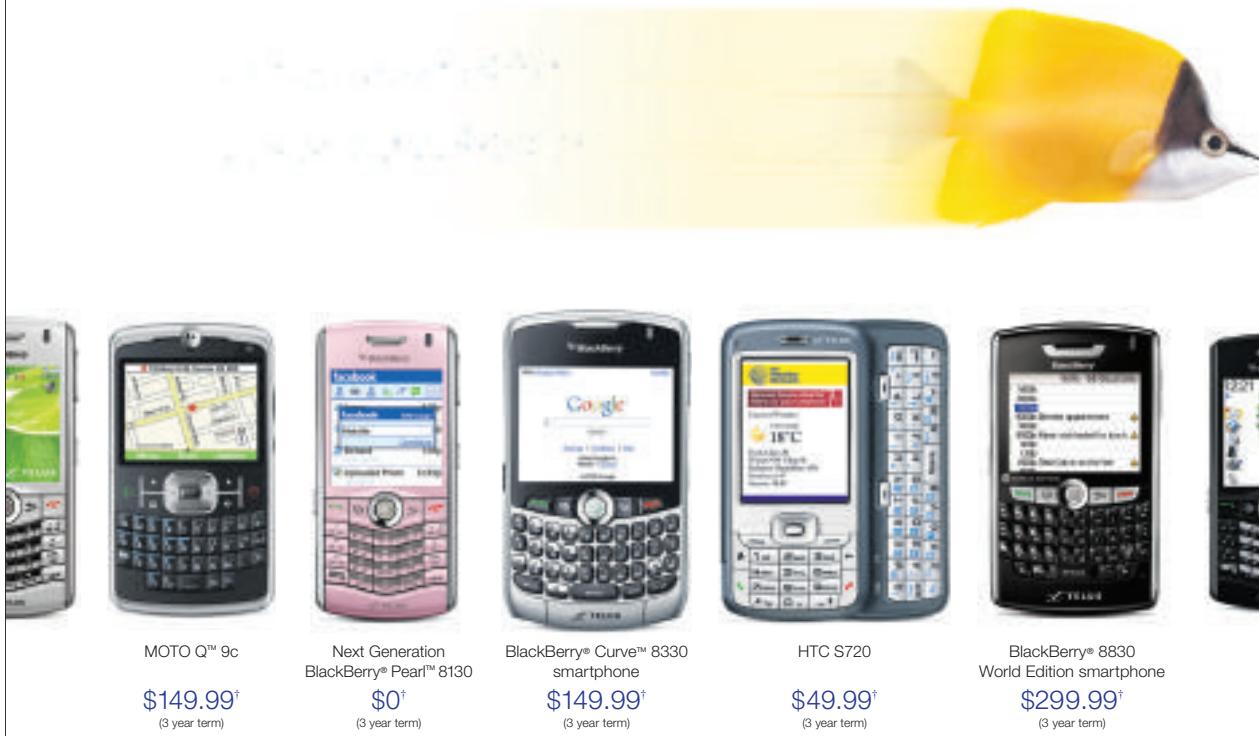
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# World

## Hostage rescue a boost for Colombia's Uribe

Popularity soaring amidst talk of possible third term

Despite a two-term limit, the popular politician may be mulling another election run, a possibility that has critics concerned about the state of the country's democracy.

Colombian President Alvaro Uribe was greeted with cheers, folk dances and banners clamouring for his re-election when he stepped off a helicopter for a community meeting in Colombia last month.

After Wednesday's spectacular rescue of FARC

### Presidential muscle

Foes worry President Alvaro Uribe will use his popularity to muscle through a vote and bypass the country's institutions, which currently limit a president to two terms.

hostage Ingrid Betancourt and three Americans, the U.S. ally may have gained even more support to run for a third term if he wants, with admirers saying he is the man to take on the Marxist rebels.

Already hugely popular because of his U.S.-backed crackdown on the FARC

guerrillas, Uribe has been cagey about whether he is mulling seeking re-election. But the idea of a third term is worrying critics concerned about democracy and even some on Wall Street, which has openly backed him.

Uribe recently pushed the idea of a vote on to the

agenda by calling for a referendum on re-running his 2006 re-election after a court found the vote may have been tainted.

Uribe, an attorney first elected in 2002, is known for his tough work ethic and unflinching opposition to the FARC rebels who killed his father, says he will only run again in case of "disaster."

His re-election in 2006 followed a contested reform of the constitution to allow a second term.

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**"Staff members should dress tastefully, and not be too exposing."**

A new rule imposed by China's Ministry of Public Security intended to clean up the country's entertainment venues.



### China cracks down

China's government has told discos, karaoke bars and other entertainment venues to install windows in private rooms and ensure staff dress modestly from Oct. 1 as part of an effort to crack down on prostitution and drugs.

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## Israel, Syria to talk face-to-face

**ISRAEL.** Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said yesterday peace talks between Israel and Syria, now mediated by Turkey, will have to be conducted face-to-face "very soon."

Israeli resort city of Eilat.

Olmert made his comments as a third round of indirect talks between Israel and Syria came to a close in Turkey yesterday.

A Turkish government source told Reuters that Israel and Syria have agreed to hold a fourth round of indirect talks in late July. During that meeting, the sides will decide whether to move to direct talks starting in August, the source said.

REUTERS

### Pakistani security arrests 5 militants

**PAKISTAN.** Pakistani security agents have arrested five militants who were plotting suicide attacks in revenge for an offensive against pro-Taliban militants, a security official said.

The suspects were seized with suicide-bomb jackets, explosives and weapons in a raid in the eastern city of Lahore on Tuesday night, a security official said, days after security forces launched a sweep in the northwestern region of Khyber.

Officials of the country's two main intelligence agencies said the arrested men were members of the banned Lashkar-e-Islam militant group.

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A man looks at the Pyramid of the Sun at the Teotihuacan archaeological site in the outskirts of Mexico City on Feb. 2, 2008.

## Archeologists explore cave beneath Mexican pyramid

**MEXICO CITY.** Archeologists are opening a cave sealed for more than 30 years deep beneath a Mexican pyramid to look for clues about the mysterious collapse of one of ancient civilization's largest cities.

The soaring Teotihuacan stone pyramids, now a major tourist site about an hour outside Mexico City, were discovered by the ancient Aztecs around 1500 AD, not long before the arrival of Spanish explorers to Mexico.

But little is known about the civilization that built the immense city, with its ceremonial

**"We want to find out why the Teotihuacan people sealed it and when."**

Archeologist Alejandro Saravia

and geometric temples, and then torched and abandoned it around 700 AD.

They say new excavations begun this month could be the key to unlocking information about the sacred rituals of the people who inhabited the city, later dubbed "The Place Where Men Become Gods" by the

Aztecs, who believed it was a divine site.

"We think it had a ritual purpose. Offerings were placed at the very end of the tunnel as part of the pyramid's construction process," Mexican archeologist Alejandro Saravia told Reuters.

"We want to find out why the Teotihuacan people sealed it and when," he said.

Saravia said the tunnel was first discovered in the early 1970s but it was closed soon afterward, and most of the information about it was lost when the archeologist who found it died.

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### 'Extreme fire' burns near Big Sur

**CALIFORNIA.** A massive, out-of-control wildfire bearing down on the scenic coastal town of Big Sur was exhibiting "extreme fire behaviour" that had authorities fearing for nearly 1,800 homes and businesses in its path and ordering residents to get out.

Whipped by high winds and burning through drought-ridden wilderness areas, the so-called Basin Complex Fire has burned across 64,305 acres of central California coastline since June 21.

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**Medals.** Beijing organizers took possession of the 3,000 medals for next month's Olympics in a ceremony near Tiananmen Square yesterday. **REUTERS**

# Beijing Games

## Suit swamps records

Speedo LZR Racer credited as times fall on road to the Olympics

**Alex Baumann can recall a time when it didn't take 15 minutes to squeeze into your swimsuit.**

But there's little doubt in the 1984 double Olympic gold medallist's mind what he'd be wearing if he was getting ready for the 2008 Beijing Summer Games — the same Speedo LZR Racer model in which more than 40 world records have been broken since February.

"Certainly, I would be wearing it if I would be competing now," said Baumann, with a laugh.

He's not alone. Even swimmers who have lucrative deals with rival swimwear companies are switching allegiances.

Among the defections are Japanese star Kosuke Kitajima, who last month shattered the world record in the 200-metre breaststroke while wearing the LZR Racer on a trial basis. Needless to say, he's not switching back, having grudgingly gotten the go-ahead from the Japan Swimming Federation and Mizuno, his swimwear sponsor.

Nike also caved into pressure recently, giving permission to seven of its U.S. swimmers, including stars Brendan Hansen and Aaron Peirsol, to use the LZR Racer at the U.S. Olympic trials.

"It's caught the world by surprise so much that we have to keep in mind it's about the swimmer," said Canadian Olympic team head coach Tom Johnson.

Speedo sponsors the Canadian team. They got their new suits after their Olympic trials in April, and have been wearing them in competition since, establishing personal bests, setting a



**Amanda Beard models the Speedo LZR Racer during the February launch of the swimsuit in New York City.**

AL BLOOM/GETTY IMAGES

Natalie Coughlin takes off for the final of the 100-metre backstroke during the U.S. Olympic trials on July 1. She set a new world record of 58.97.

handful of Canadian records, but not exactly setting the world on fire.

But then that's pretty much where Canada stood before the arrival of the LZR Racer, which will retail for about \$550.

"It still comes down to the fact you better be a well-prepared athlete or you don't have a hope in hell, suit or no suit," said Johnson.

There's been a lot of hyperbole, with Australian Libby Lenton saying the swimsuit made her feel like she was "swimming downhill" and U.S. superstar Michael Phelps stating he felt like a rocket.

Some critics have called it "technological doping," but Speedo had the suit approved by swimming's international governing body, FINA, and complied with their demands to make it available to everyone competing in Beijing.

There's also a lawsuit. Tyr Sport Inc., a competitor, is suing Speedo for allegedly violating antitrust laws, restraint of trade and false advertising. Tyr also filed suit against U.S. head coach Mark Schubert for allegedly disparaging Speedo's competitors after he said swimmers at the U.S. Olympic trials should wear Speedo "or they may end up at home watching on NBC."

Then there's just trying to get it on. It took

Phelps a half hour the first time he tried. Most swimmers can get it on in 10 to 15 minutes; the really experienced ones can even do it in five. They say the key is to be patient, no yanking and make sure your nails are well trimmed so you don't poke holes in it. It stretches with each wearing and usually lasts for four or five swims.

But for the most part, swimmers are enamoured of this suit made from high-density microfibre.

"The women love it," said Speedo executive Stu Isaac. "I tell them they're wearing a designer Italian fabric."

But Brent S. Rushall, a San Diego State University sports physiology professor and long-time critic of full-body suits, doesn't believe the LZR Racer is deserving of its hype. He notes in a paper he wrote on the subject that none of the NASA science or any science involved in the project has been made available in public or peer-reviewed forms.

"The claims made about the LZR Racer still contain exaggeration, speculative statements, and largely are unsupported by evidence," said Rushall. He attributes the string of impressive performances to Olympic Games stimulus, technique improvements, training improvements and psychology.

Isaac said there's no doubt the LZR Racer's been providing swimmers with a huge boost mentally. He recalls how when they first



**A rear view of the Speedo LZR Racer, as modelled by swimmer Michael Phelps.**

rolled the suit out in March, Kirsty Coventry of Zimbabwe broke the second oldest world record on the books in the women's 200-metre backstroke while wearing the LZR Racer for the first time. It snowballed from there.

"My degree's in sports psychology," said Isaac. "I know when that starts to happen, it's just a self-fulfilling prophecy. When they see some records, now they stand on the block and say, 'I know this is going to be faster.'"

Breaststroke specialist Mike Brown of Perth, Ont., a silver medallist at the 2005 worlds, is among the believers. He said he's taken two seconds off his personal best times for this time of year.

"Whether that suit will actually take two seconds off your personal best or whether it's a combination of you thinking that it will and the suit, it doesn't matter as long as that time comes off."

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### Facts

Among the things Speedo executive Stu Isaac credits for the step forward in technology with the LZR Racer:

- Work done with NASA to reduce drag. Through wind tunnel testing and use of computational fluid dynamics — the latter software partially developed by a branch of ANASYS in Waterloo, Ont. — they found the key places to create compression in the suit and reduce drag.
- Where the seams used to be sewn and glued, they now laser cut the fabric and then ultrasonically fuse the fabric to create a seamless effect, meaning less drag. In testing, the fabric breaks before seams do.
- A corset-like stabilizer in the abdominal section helps hold the body in position, creating a physiological and biomechanical effect, aiding swimmers in keeping their form.
- The previous Speedo model, the Eastskin, got 50 per cent heavier from absorbing water in the pool; the LZR Racer only gets 6.5 per cent heavier.

### Bush could attend Games opening

**CEREMONY.** President Bush could attend the opening ceremonies of the Olympics during his trip to China next month, and that decision is not dependent on talks between Beijing and representatives of the Dalai Lama, the White House said yesterday. The White House has previously steered clear of saying whether Bush would attend the opening ceremonies

REUTERS

### Turkish champ Mutlu withdraws

**WEIGHTLIFTING.** Turkish Olympic champion Halil Mutlu's aim of becoming the first weightlifter to win four gold medals ended yesterday when he announced his withdrawal from the Beijing Games, broadcaster CNN Turk reported.

The triple-gold medallist made the announcement after meeting with Turkey's sports minister.

REUTERS

### U.K. sprinter begins legal case

**ATHLETICS.** The British Olympic Association said it would vigorously defend any case brought by sprinter Dwain Chambers to outlaw the organization's policy of lifetime bans for drugs cheats.

Chambers began legal action yesterday to try to overturn the ban so that he can compete in the 100 metres in Beijing.

REUTERS

### Sports in brief

**ATHLETICS.** Former Olympic women's triple jump champion Tereza Marinova announced her retirement from athletics yesterday.

REUTERS

**ENTRY DENIED.** A reporter for Hong Kong's populist Apple Daily newspaper, known for its critical editorial line on China, was denied entry into Beijing this week, the paper's chief editor said yesterday.

REUTERS

### Monday's lineup

**UNDEFEATED.** Calgarian paralympic athlete Earle Connor — the undefeated champion in the 100-metre dash — will compete in Beijing. Pick up Monday's Metro for more.

**34** days remain until the official start of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing.

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**Athletics** Former U.S. sprinter Tim Montgomery, an Olympic gold medalist now banned from the sport, pleaded guilty yesterday to distributing heroin. Montgomery, already in jail for cheque fraud, faces at least five years in prison. **REUTERS**

**NBA** The Dallas Mavericks have reportedly come to terms on a deal with centre DeSagana Diop, traded away in the Jason Kidd deal last season, and with young swingman Gerald Green. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

# Sports

**"What can I do for my family with \$127 million that I can't do with \$111 million."**

Washington Wizards guard Gilbert Arenas agreed a six-year extension yesterday that gives his team some financial flexibility.



**Fleury signs**

The Pittsburgh Penguins signed former Cape Breton Screaming Eagles goaltender Marc-Andre Fleury to a seven-year contract extension yesterday worth a reported \$35 million US.

## Roughriders in for wakeup call

### Saskatchewan GM may regret making bold predictions

You'd think **Eric Tillman** would know better by now.

Tillman, after all, has been in CFL management for decades. You figured he'd know that one measly game doesn't exactly make a season.

And yet, after the Roughriders turned in a strong fourth quarter last week to defeat the Edmonton Eskimos 34-13, the Saskatchewan general manager shot off his mouth.

"To a man," Tillman burbled, "our coaches and players believe we're going to be a better team (than last year)."

This, of course, is laughable, and I'm giggling accordingly. All the Riders did last season

was win the Grey Cup. All they did in the off-season was lose vital parts of their team, including coach **Kent Austin**, quarterback and CFL MVP **Kerry Joseph**, defensive stars **Fred Perry** and **Reggie Hunt** and ball-carrying threat **Corey Holmes**.

So the Riders win one game against a troubled team last week and Tillman decides to deride those of us who predicted his squad's demise.

"What a lot of supposed experts in the media didn't seem to realize," Tillman said, "is this is real football, not fantasy football."

I reckon Tillman will get a dose of reality tonight — in B.C., where the Lions should run

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roughshod over the not-so-Roughriders.

• **Jarrett Payton** is the son of NFL legend **Walter Payton**, and he led the Alouettes in rushing last season, but neither was enough to keep him around in Montreal.

The Als have cut him. Their new running back is **Avon Cobourne**, who gained 107 yards last week in Montreal's triumph rout of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

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• In baseball, the recent return of manager **Cito Gaston** hasn't made much difference to the Blue Jays, who continue to languish in the AL East cellar and prepare to be sellers before MLB's July 31 trade deadline.

Yahoo Sports columnist **Steve Henson** gives the Jays a midseason grade of C- and blasts them with this: "Too many knee-jerk decisions and off-hand comments from the front office. Too little wiggle room in a division where the one consolation the Jays

always could count on — being better than the Tampa Bay Rays — has deserted them."

The first-place Rays, meanwhile, are Henson's only A+ team.

"People keep thinking we'll fold," Rays general manager **Andrew Friedman** told me, "but we know we won't. We're for real."

And the Rays intend to be buyers, hoping to fortify their already strong pitching by acquiring the Cleveland Indians' **C.C. Sabathia**, the Seattle Mariners' **Erik Bedard**, the Oakland A's **Rich Harden** or maybe even the Blue Jays' **A.J. Burnett**.

## Venus ready for sibling battle in Wimbledon final

**TENNIS** The Williams sisters may be best friends and each other's biggest fans but when they meet for a third time in a Wimbledon final tomorrow, champion Venus said it would be every woman for herself.

Venus strongly denied yesterday any notion Venus that she and Serena, who have faced each 15 times competitively, decide in advance who should win.

When asked after her 6-1, 7-6 semi-final victory over Russian Elena Dementieva if there is any family discussion about the outcome of a match between the sisters, the



American said: "I find the question pretty offensive because I'm extremely professional in everything that I do on and off the court."

"I contribute my best in my sport, and I also have a ton of respect for myself and my family. So any mention of that is extremely disrespectful for who I am, what I stand for, and my family."

Only two-time champion Serena, a 6-2, 7-6 winner yesterday over Chinese wildcard Zheng Jie, stands between Venus and a fifth title.

**REUTERS**

## CFL Battle of Alberta



Calgary Stampeders' Dwaine Carpenter, right, forces a fumble from Edmonton Eskimos' Calvin McCarty during last night's CFL game. For a game story go to [www.metronews.ca](http://www.metronews.ca).

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Crystal Castles  
causing trouble



## Here we go again

Universal's screen version of the global hit stage musical *Mamma Mia!* is the most fun to be had at the movies this or any other recent summer. **page 19**



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Kit Kittredge and the American Girl dolls aim to teach a generation of girls about respect, holding the fort against hordes of Bratz dolls, **Rick McGinnis** writes.

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## Music

# Clearing Crystal Castles

ROB MCMAHON  
for Metro Canada



Record-store riots, after-parties shut down by police helicopters and copyright woes are just some of the incidents surrounding Crystal Castles.

But given the group's non-committal public persona, all this drama seems to just enhance their mystique.

Reached by e-mail, producer Ethan Kath (or not, given that friends have conducted interviews on his behalf) explained the band's position in a recent controversy over plagiarism from the Chiptune community, an online group of not-for-profit music producers who create and share songs created from samples of old video game tunes.

Last month Crystal Castles was accused of sampling a song by Belgian producer Lo-bat without securing proper copyright. Kath claims that in 2004, all of Crystal Castles' tracks were based on samples from artists like Madonna, Joy Di-



**"You hear contrasts. I hear the same hostility in every song."**

Crystal Castles producer Ethan Kath

Crystal Castles scored a No. 1 hit on the Canadian Campus radio airplay chart with their self-titled album.

vision, and Chiptune, but by 2005 they were using their own sounds.

"(The songs in question) are the earliest, most obscure, never performed, worst songs by CC," writes Kath. "Lo-bat ... has contacted the band's management to apologize for the controversy saying he thinks it's

ridiculous, this has nothing to do with him, it's clear that the band has never profited from these samples. These ancient songs have nothing to do with the band's current success."

Driving that success — which is presently in buzz mode — is the duo's album itself. One way to view their

## no nostalgia

Any sadness in Crystal Castles music should not be mistaken for nostalgia, says their producer Ethan Kath. "We care not for nostalgia," he writes. "If we are making anyone feel nostalgic we will change our sound."

snarling electro punk is through contrasts. More overtly aggressive, chaotic tracks like Alice Practice can be interpreted as balancing comparatively mellow, rhythmic ones like Untrust Us. While the songs on the album are placed in chronological order, the compositions themselves seem to cover a pretty wide range of emotional dynamics — though Kath disagrees.

"This is all subjective. You hear contrasts. I hear the same hostility in every song," he writes. "Alice Practice I hear an early experiment which switches back and forth between melody and grating noise ... (In Untrust Us) I simply hear sadness and agitation."

## SoundCheck

Alan Cross



## The new rock classics

When I saw the Entertainment Weekly cover story called "The New Classics: The 1000 Best Movies, Albums Books & More of the Last 25 Years," I flipped to their list of albums and immediately became a little nauseous.

Beyoncé's Dangerously in Love at 19 while the Beastie Boys' Paul's Boutique only managed 43? The Joshua Tree at 63, a full 54 positions behind Amy Winehouse?

Nirvana's Unplugged (11) album ahead of Nevermind, which didn't even make the top 100? Heck, even the Widow Cobain's Live Through This squeaked in at 99.

I realize that lists such as these are designed to make people mad. It gets people talking about your magazine during that double-issue drought around July 4. But I can't help but take the bait. Here then, are what I believe to be the ten most indispensable rock albums released since 1983 that EW didn't feel worthy for their list.

• Licensed to Ill/ Beastie Boys (1986): Frat-boy humour that resulted in the first ever No. 1 rap album. The sounds of suburbs haven't been the same since.

• The Stone Roses/ The Stone Roses (1989): After the Smiths' The Queen is Dead

(73), quite possibly the most important British album of the decade.

• Violator/Depeche Mode (1990): The surprise North American success of their seventh studio album hinted at the alternative revolution that was to follow a year later.

• Nevermind/ Nirvana (1991): A no-brainer. The album that ushered in the alternative nation. Mainstream rock hasn't been the same since.

• Bloodsugarsexmagik/ Red Hot Chili Peppers (1991): The combination of producer Rick Rubin and new guitarist John Frusciante kick new life into some old grooves.

• Ten/ Pearl Jam (1991): Sure, they've distanced themselves from the arena rock sound of their first album, but it's still their best.

• Automatic for the People/ REM (1992): Five singles and one of the most brilliant videos ever ("Everybody Hurts"), it represents REM at their peak.

• Rage Against the Machine/ Rage Against the Machine (1992): Probably more important today than it was when it was released.

• Fully Completely/ Tragically Hip (1993): Okay, so EW wouldn't have bothered with anything Canadian outside of Alanis Morissette, Neil Young and the Arcade Fire. But do you know any self-respecting Canadian who doesn't own this record?

• Definitely Maybe/ Oasis (1995): Snotty and full of ambitious arrogance, their first album kicked off the Britpop era.



The Tragically Hip's Fully Completely is an indispensable album says columnist Alan Cross.

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**Amos Lee**Album: *Last Days at the Lodge*

Label:  
**Bluenote/Capitol/EMI**  
Release date: **06/24/08**  
Grade: **\*\*\*\*\***

**THIS SINGER-SONGWRITER** has an extraordinary ability to merge soul with

hardscrabble folk-blues, the sounds of Marvin Gaye and Al Green with those of Bob Dylan and Ben Harper. Produced impeccably by Don Was with some great musicians helping out like Neil Young keyboardist Spooner Oldham and Eric Clapton's Doyle Bramhall Jr. I love

**this guy. GRAHAM ROCKINGHAM**

Ron Sexsmith

Album: *Exit Strat-*

egy of the Soul

Label: **Warner**Release date: **07/01/08**Grade: **\*\*\*\*\***

**UNDERSTATED AND WINSOME** best sum up this Canadian songster's strengths. He's

won over fans in, among others, Coldplay's Chris Martin and Feist — the latter co-wrote Brandy Alexander with Sexsmith and got first dibs to record it for last year's *The Reminder*. Sexsmith's take on the song exudes soulful charm; the remainder of this outing

delivers hope, sadness and spiritualized comfort, nicely enveloped by tender piano and '70s throwback horns from a Cuban duo.

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# movies

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Review **Kit Kittredge: Girls will love tale of plucky youngster**

## Film on target with audience

RICK MCGINNIS  
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**Kit Kittredge: An American Girl**  
Director: Patricia Rozema  
Stars: Abigail Breslin, Joan Cusack, Stanley Tucci  
Rating: G  
Grade: 

**Wholesome fare.** It's hard to find fault with the line of dolls that inspired — and underwrote, to some degree — Patricia Rozema's *Kit Kittredge*.

The American Girl dolls have colonized a nice stretch of girlhood coinciding roughly with grade school with a gratefully non-sexualized world that aims to teach a generation of daughters about history, friendship, self-reliance and respect, a cohort of 18-inch tall figures holding back the bulwark against hordes of Bratz dolls.

Abigail Breslin plays Kit, a sassy but essentially sweet-tempered young girl whose 1934 has gone from middle class to mid-Depression as her father loses his job and leaves Cleveland (ably played here by Toronto) for Chicago to look for work, and her mother is forced to take in boarders.

Chris O'Donnell seems a bit young for his role here as Kit's dad, but he's AWOL from the story for its vast middle stretch, so it isn't a real problem.

In any case, at least one parent needs to go missing if the protagonist in a children's story is going to get their shot at an adventure, and it arrives in the form of a house full of eccentric boarders (played by Joan Cusack, Stanley Tucci and Jane Krakowski), a pair of young hobos (Willow Smith and Max Thieriot) and a string of robbers the authorities blame on



Abigail Breslin, centre, stars as a Depression-era girl who helps solve a mystery that saves her family home. Madison Davenport, left, and Brieanne Jansen also star.

the homeless and jobless filling the hobo jungles on the edge of town.

It takes too long for the story to really kick in, and as a result it never gets up a good head of steam, but that might not be a minus for the movie's intended audiences: The little girls between five and 12 who

are thrilled for the chance to see a world come to life that they've only imagined in hours of play and in the bestselling AG books.

The scene-setting, not the thriller, is the heart of the experience for them, and because of this, all critical caveats are qualified into meaninglessness.

## movie morsels

### GET SMART

 (OUT OF 5)

Steve Carell takes over the role made famous by Don Adams in the original TV series — Maxwell Smart, the bumbling but cocksure secret agent who succeeds in spite of his best efforts. Anne Hathaway does a fine job with Agent 99, played by Barbara Feldon in the TV series, ably matching Feldon's innate sexiness;

the only real flaw in Hathaway's portrayal is her inability to evoke the fetchingly neurotic quality Feldon brought to the role.

RICK MCGINNIS/METRO CANADA

### THE HAPPENING



The very great problem with M. Night Shyamalan's films is that once he departs from the nameless dread so painstakingly created in their setup, they've

lost most of their reason to exist. The film is a bit of a departure for the director, since he reveals the big premise early on, and not near the end, sparing the audience the eye-rolling revelations that made *Signs* and *The Village* so retroactively disappointing. Unfortunately, that means you can start rolling your eyes and giggling earlier, with the first film that makes itself the punch line to global

warming's joke.

RICK MCGINNIS/METRO CANADA

### LOVE GURU



Mike Myers plays a self-help swami who's enlisted to help reconcile a hockey player with an ex-lover in order to end a curse. The comedy is filled with terrible penis puns and cracks about midgets, but Myers still finds a way to charm us.

STEVE GOW/FOR METRO CANADA

### STRANGERS



Liv Tyler and Scott Speedman are harassed by a group of mask-wearing oddballs in the middle of the night. Although the plot doesn't sound too shockingly original, what first-time writer/director Bryan Bertino accomplishes is an incredibly calculated, intense suspense picture wrought with themes of

fate and circumstance.  
STEVE GOW/FOR METRO CANADA

### WANTED



James McAvoy plays a loser who is swept into a secret fraternity and becomes a assassin. Russian director Timur Bekmambetov makes an impressive Hollywood debut giving the film a quirky self-assuredness and a great cast that also includes Angelina Jolie.

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## Kilmer gets new role

Val Kilmer, right, and Xzibit are the latest additions to the cast of director Werner Herzog's *Bad Lieutenant*, a remake of Abel Ferrara's 1992 cult movie about an unhinged police officer. They join Nicolas Cage, in the title role, and Eva Mendes. [ew.com](http://ew.com)

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## Reel Times

Advance raves **Mamma Mia! Streep performance Oscar-worthy?**

# Money, money, money: Musical hits the jackpot

**Summer fun.** No matter how many blockbusters there are, Universal's screen version of the global hit stage musical *Mamma Mia!* is the most fun to be had at the movies this or any other recent summer.

Teenage boys may be glued to the latest action adventure, but the rest of the family will have a rollicking good time dancing in the aisles to Swedish pop group ABBA's irresistible songs. It's a delightful piece of filmmaking with a marvellous cast topped by Meryl Streep in one of her smartest and most entertaining performances.

After its world premiere in London on Monday, the film opens in the U.K. today and in North America

on July 18. It will surely follow the stage show around the world in pleasing audiences and raking in what one of the infectious songs celebrates: Money, Money, Money.

Credit goes to the original show's creators — producer Judy Craymer, director Phyllida Lloyd and writer Catherine Johnson — for seeing their vision through to such a polished and enjoyable picture.

Hanging a tale of a woman whose daughter might have been fathered by one of three attractive men on a bunch of ABBA songs sounds simple, but its simplicity is as deceptive as the masterfully crafted songs themselves.

Streep plays Donna, a former singer who has raised daughter Sophie

(Amanda Seyfried) alone at a fading resort on a remote Greek island. Sophie finds her mother's diary from 20 years earlier and discovers there are three men who might be her father. About to be married to boyfriend Sky (Dominic Cooper), she sends invitations to the celebration to all three on behalf of her mother but without telling her.

Pierce Brosnan, Colin Firth and Stellan Skarsgård, as the possible dads, show up on the island where Donna is readying the wedding, helped by her two best pals (Julie Walters and Christine Baranski).

The songs from Benny Andersson and Bjorn Ulvaeus have memorably sturdy lyrics that the film-

makers weave with great skill into their story. All the players perform with gusto, including Skarsgård, Brosnan and Firth who, far from embarrassing themselves, sing well and deserve high praise for being such good sports.

Streep is sensationally good in rendering the whole yarn credible and in performing dramatically moving songs such as *Slipping Through My Fingers*, sung to her departing daughter, and *The Winner Takes It All*, to a lost love, among others.

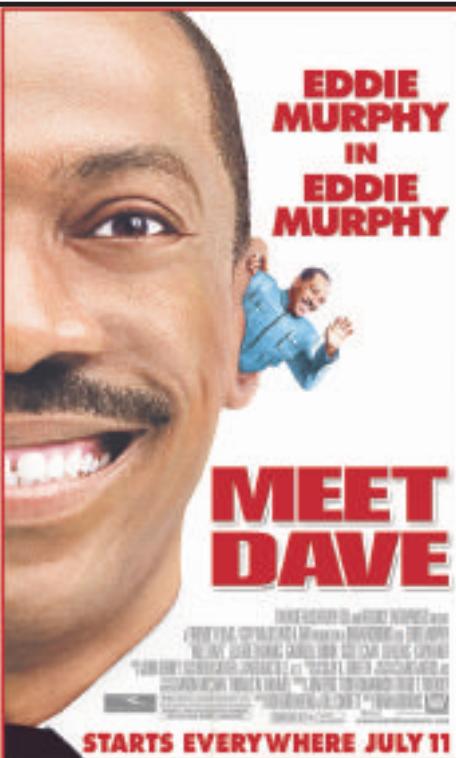
It's no stretch to think of her performance in Oscar terms, ranking with such previous musical winners as Liza Minnelli, Barbra Streisand and Catherine Zeta-Jones.

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Pierce Brosnan plays one of the men who may have fathered the daughter of Meryl Streep's character in the musical *Mamma Mia!*

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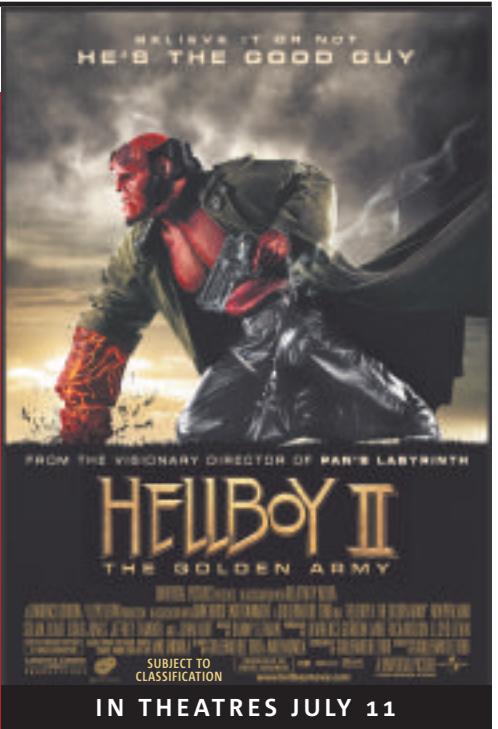


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Jaane Tu Ya Jaane Na (STC) Fri-Thu 2:30-9:15 Love Story 2050 (STC) Fri-Thu 1:30-8:30  
Made of Honor (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:45-6:55-9:45  
Speed Racer (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:35-10:05  
The Strangers (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:05-7:05-10:05  
Thoda Pyar Thoda Magic (PG) Fri 1:45-6:30-8:45 Sat-Sun 6:30-8:45 Mon-Thu 1:45-6:30-8:45

The Rape of Europa (G) Sat-Sun 12:30-7:35-9:30  
The Incredible Hulk (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:15-7:10-9:55  
Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:10-6:50-9:45 Iron Man (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-7:20-9:30  
The Happening (14A) Fri-Thu 12:05-2:35-4:55-7:25

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The Happening (14A) DTS Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 10:10-11:15  
The Incredible Hulk (PG) Stadium Seating, SR Dolby Digital Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:50-9:55  
Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull (PG) SR Dolby Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:45-9:35

Kung Fu Panda (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:2-15-4:30-7:10-9:30  
The Love Guru (14A) DTS Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 4:10-7:35-9:50 DTS Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 4:10-9:50 DTS Digital, Stadium Seating Tue-Thu 4:10-7:35-9:50

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Wanted (18A) SR Dolby Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:30-10:15

You Don't Mess With the Zohan (14A) DTS Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:10-3:30-7:30-9:50  
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The Year My Parents Went on Vacation (STC) Fri-Thu 7:15-9:25 Sat-Sun 1:15-3:25-7:15-9:25  
Iron Man (PG) Stadium Seating, SR Dolby Digital Fri-Thu 12:10-3:05-6:45-9:40  
Kit Kittredge: An American Girl (STC) Stadium Seating, SR Dolby Digital Fri-Thu 12:25-2:50-6:55-9:40  
Kung Fu Panda (PG) Stadium Seating, SR Dolby

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Mongol (14A) Fri 7:30-9 Sat-Sun 1:30-7:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:30-9:30

The Year My Parents Went on Vacation (STC) Fri 7:15-9:25 Sat-Sun 1:15-3:25-7:15-9:25 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:25

**MOVIEDOME**  
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Deception (14A) Fri-Thu 6:45-9:55  
Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a Who! (G) Fri-Thu 10:05-6:40

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Iron Man (PG) Fri 6:20 Sat-Sun 2:10-6:20 Mon-Thu 6:20

Obscene But Not Heards Westworld (STC) Fri-Sat 12:15-7:15-9:15

12:20-3:05-6:55-9:35 Tue 3:05-6:55-9:35 Wed-Thu 12:20-3:05-6:55-9:35 Star & Strollers Screening Tue 1

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You Don't Mess With the Zohan (14A) Fri-Thu 3:30-10:05

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Mon-Thu 7:10

War, Inc. (STC) Fri 7:40 Sat-Sun 2:30-5:9:20

Mon-Thu 5:9:20

Young People F...ing (18A) Fri 4:50-7:10 Sat-Sun 1:3-4:50-7:10 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:10

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The Incredible Hulk (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:30-7:20-10

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The Rape of Europa (G) Sat-Sun 12:30-7:35-9:30

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The Happening (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-2-30-5:20-7:25-10:30

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Kung Fu Panda (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-2-4:5-5:10-7:25-10:30

Love Story (18A) Fri-Thu 12:30-2-4:5-5:10-7:25-10:30

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Wanted (18A) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:40 Thu 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:40 Fri 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:40

WALL-E (G) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:40 Thu 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:40 Fri 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:40

Wanted (18A) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:30-7:20-10:40 Thu 1:30-4:3

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Olympic hopeful Maria Sharapova on tennis, fashion and turning 21.

By Laura deCarufel  
Senior Editor

**W**earing an aquamarine Lanvin frock, a diamond tiara and a gleaming new Grand Carrera watch given to her by TAG Heuer, the sponsor of tonight's party, Maria Sharapova is celebrating her 21st birthday in style. We're at Tenjune, a subterranean bar in New York's Meatpacking District, which is packed with fashion stars like Anna Wintour and Vera Wang. The tennis star's birthday wish? "I just want to stay healthy, so that I can continue to perform on the tennis

court," she says. "After a tough year with my shoulder injury, now I just want health!" It's hard to believe that Sharapova, one of the world's top-ranked female tennis players, is only now entering formal adulthood. She has been famous since 2004, when, all of 17, she upset Serena Williams to win Wimbledon.

Next up is Sharapova's self-described biggest challenge yet: a shot at Olympic gold. "I'll be treating the Olympics like a treat — a grand slam," she says, with a grin. "I'm sure I'll have plenty of nerves, but that's why I love to compete at the highest levels. I'm really looking forward to the entire experience — from the opening ceremonies to meeting all the other great athletes."

## TREND OF THE MONTH

### GILT TRIP

**Copper and bronze** eye makeup added sparks to the runway show featuring Oscar de la Renta's spring/summer collection. But, unlike in seasons past, the new metallics are more subtle than shiny. Look for a sheer shadow with a hint of shimmer, and pair it with dark-brown liner and peachy-pink lips.



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## PRÊT-A-PORTER

Save room in your suitcase with clothes that do double duty. With their modern, lightweight silhouettes, the separates in Reebok's Rhythm line can go from the gym to the beach to city sightseeing. All of the pieces are made from organic cotton, and some incorporate bamboo charcoal fibres, which are anti-bacterial and absorb odours. LESLEY YOUNG



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**ABOVE:** Kirk Pickersgill and Stephen Wong, the designers behind the hot Greta Constantine label

**RIGHT:** Canadian songstress Sarah Slean

## STYLE SNAPS



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## Editors' Pick

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# Beach wear that will flatter

## Style File

**Kim Elbo**



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### ask kim

I'm looking to buy a new swimsuit but I am a little bit hippy. What type of cut should I be looking for?

Cuts are important for finding the right swimsuit for your body but also consider colours and patterns. Swimco suggests that if you're a bit hippy then you should look for a printed top and solid bottom. Flattering leg cuts like skirted bottoms and boardshorts can help, too.

E-mail your style questions to [kim.elbo@metronews.ca](mailto:kim.elbo@metronews.ca).

**Vancouver's Kim Elbo has a passion for fashion. Here she shares the latest style tips.**

### accessory

Have a little sunburn emergency on the beach? Call out for Clarins SOS Sunburn Soother. This will help cool down the burn and nourish the skin. Available at all major department stores.



### beach hats

Sometimes sunscreen just isn't enough. Protect yourself from the sun and unwanted wrinkles with a hat that's perfect for the beach and also great for the streets. Look for hats that have a big enough brim to cover your neck and your delicate décolleté. Help keep cool with a breathable hat — straw hats with a loose weave can help with this. If you're out travelling this summer then a pliable hat you can fold into quarters would be perfect for packing.



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## swimsuits

Full-piece swimsuits can still look as sexy as a two-piece bikini. This summer try a one-piece on for the beach. There are a variety of modern styles and cuts that can even be more flattering than wearing the typical two-piece. If patterns aren't your thing then colour-blocked suits are your best bet, they're classic and attention getting. Here's a little tanning tip — if you're worried about a strap tan then buy a halter suit, this way you can easily untie the straps and fold them over for maximum sun exposure.

### tip

Like to sit poolside? Chlorine can break down the fibres in swimsuits and make the colour fade faster, so try looking for a swimsuit that is made out of polyester — the only swimsuit fabric that can withstand chlorine.

## Style in brief

**DESIGNERS.** Italian fashion house Romeo Gigli is taking on aspiring African designers to create a menswear collection as part of a project aimed at adding an international influence to its clothes.

Six young designers from Ghana, Senegal and Kenya will join the Romeo Gigli creative team later this year to work on a 2009-10 autumn/winter collection of 25-30 pieces, which will be called "Romeo Gigli Lab."

The task, part of a project with Milan city council to attract young talent to the fashion capital, will be to evoke the traditional style of

their countries for the brand, which has a trademark fleur de lys.

REUTERS

**TELEVISION.** TV Land is renewing its fashion reality series *She's Got The Look* for a second season.

The show, in which aspiring fashion models age 35 and older compete for a contract, will be expanded from six episodes to eight for the sophomore run. Look is expected to return next year.

The first season of Look has been averaging 633,000 total viewers, an increase of 17 per cent over the cable channel's total day average.

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Pop star Madonna's brother has landed a job as supermodel-turned-reality TV queen Janice Dickinson's interior designer. Dickinson, left, has commissioned Christopher Ciccone to design her new sleeping quarters for her U.S. TV series *The Janice Dickinson Modeling Agency*. [IMDB.COM](http://IMDB.COM)

## Entertainment in brief

**90210.** Tori Spelling was scheduled to appear in the pilot of The CW's 90210 spinoff, but it looks like reprising her role as Donna Martin will wait.

"I'm looking forward to returning to 90210 in a later episode," Spelling, 35, said. "But I just had my baby three weeks ago via C-section. So right now I have to focus on recuperating, and my first priority is my family."

As soon as the spinoff was announced months ago, reports started speculating whether any of the alums from the original series would appear. Jennie Garth, 36, who played Kelly Taylor, was the first to sign on. She will reprise her character and return as a guidance counsellor.

The new series, which follows the Wilson family's move from Kansas to Beverly Hills, started shooting this week.

PEOPLE.COM

NOTES: Simpsons executive producer Al Jean of that episode: "It certainly has the richest cast in the history of cartoons."

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**SIMPSONS.** Does Denis Leary need to be rescued from Bart Simpson? The Rescue Me star will play himself in the Oct. 5 episode of *The Simpsons*, losing his cool and throwing his cellphone in anger. When Bart finds the phone, he uses it to make prank calls — and even winds up accepting a role for Leary in Brian Grazer's big-screen adaptation of *Everybody Poops* (yes, Grazer also guests). Meanwhile, Julia Louis-Dreyfus reprises her role as Snake's now-pregnant girlfriend in the Sept. 28 opener.

In other *Simpsons* business news, two billionaires — Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban and Amazon.com CEO Jeff Bezos — will lend their pipes to a *Decker* instalment.

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## TV

# Life gets a bit more crowded on Mars

**M**ARS NEEDS ACTORS: The dispiriting saga that is ABC's Americanization of *Life On Mars* continues with a story this week on some further changes to the cast of a show whose pilot was already finished and leaked on the Internet last month. Along with the usual recap of what's happened so far — David E. Kelley buys rights, makes show, walks away, new showrunners added, location changed, future iffy — *Variety* announced that no less than Michael Imperioli has been added to the cast, as a "not-so-politically correct tough-guy colleague" to Jason O'Mara's modern cop knocked back to the '70s after being hit with a car.

Since the role played so memorably by Philip Glenister in the BBC original has already been cast with Colm Meaney, one can only speculate whether Imperioli has been shoehorned into a character based on either dim Det. Constable Skelton or dim and violent Det. Constable Carling — I'm thinking the latter, as Carling's role is more fun. (If you don't have a clue what I'm talking about, it's time to do the downloady thing and get stuck into the original series, since I can guarantee that the ABC version won't be half as good.)

**CELLPHONE** New mom Nicole Richie is already working on a new role — guest starring on *Chuck*, which began filming last Monday.

"It was fantastic," a source said about Richie, 26, being on the set of the NBC show. "She was friendly. Everybody loved her."

Nicole plays Heather Chandler, an old high school nemesis who made fun of Sarah, played by

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The casting of Imperioli suggests the producers are hairy to ratchet up the star power after moving the show's setting from L.A. to New York, and that tweaks on the order of major renovations will probably be in progress all summer long. In any case, you can smell the flop sweat coming off this show a mile away.

**A** WAY FROM NUMBERS: If you're exposed to marketing people for any length of time, you'll inevitably hear the mantra "18-49" intoned over and over. It's the most desirable age bracket you can hope to find defining your customers; it's also a laughably broad one — it encompasses everyone from university freshmen to newlyweds to parents to empty-nesters — though it can get further parsed down by gender

and ever more specific age brackets. Still, the magic demographic is eternally invoked as the sweet spot, based on the assumption that it spans the largest period of earning potential in an adult life.

Which is why there will be a great wailing and gnashing of teeth at the networks when the implications of a new study are absorbed into the collective executive grey matter. According to a *Varsity* story, a new study has revealed that the average age of viewers at the networks is now 50 — just beyond the pale of the magic demographic, and a sign that viewership for the non-cable stretch of the dial is raying.

This is around the time when marketing types will realize that baby boomers — the most unbridled conspicuous consumers since the Borgias — are the pig passing through this particular python, and we might expect a major paradigm shift on the concept of desirable demographics.

In which case, expect incontinence wear to get the Nike treatment, and prime time to fill up with cougars and randy grandpas.

**Rick McGinnis** writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

## Nicole Richie 'fantastic' in guest star role on *Chuck*

**"She was friendly. Everybody loved her."**

Source on Nicole Richie's on-set presence

Yvonne Strahovski. "She has a great fight scene," the source said. Between takes and training for their fight scene, they were "giv-

ing each other high-fives."

Taking a page from fellow starlet Britney Spears, Richie is shooting until next week to finish an episode that will air in mid-October.

And she even had her No. 1 fan to cheer her on. Baby Harlow, dressed in a light blue dress and white sun hat, stopped by on Thursday.

"She was very excited," adds the source.

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Pop star **Madonna**, left, has reportedly refused to let her husband Guy Ritchie move to New York. Madonna is said to have turned down the director's plea to leave their London home and be with her in the United States, saying she still wants to end the marriage. [FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK](http://FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK)

## Celebrity Buzz

# Boyfriend brightens Heather's life

**MENTAL HEALTH** Still receiving treatment for anxiety and depression at an Arizona facility, Heather Locklear's recent visit from her boyfriend Jack Wagner "really lifted her spirits," *People.com* reports a friend as saying.

Wagner — who hadn't seen Locklear since she left Los Angeles for the facility on June 19 — spent several hours with her last weekend, sources say. On Sunday, the two had lunch together in the facility's dining area.

"He looked like he was taking care of her," says an observer. "It was very sweet."

Dressed down in sweats and a T-shirt, Locklear, 46,

"looked exhausted," says the observer. "Even with no makeup she was beautiful, but she seemed tired, pale and very skinny."

Wagner, 48, chatted to Locklear, leaned in to kiss her on the forehead, and at one point during the otherwise quiet meal, says the observer, "He made her laugh."

Locklear checked herself in to the facility for an in-depth evaluation on the suggestion of a doctor. She had been taking medication for anxiety and depression since after her 2006 split with Richie Sambora, with whom she has a daughter, 10-year-old Ava.

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## Lily Allen may quit singing

**CAREER** Lily Allen has announced she may quit music, [femalefirst.co.uk](http://femalefirst.co.uk) reports.

The 23-year-old singer revealed she will give up singing if her eagerly-anticipated second album, tentatively titled *Stuck On The Naughty Step*, is a flop. Allen recently put the finishing

touches to the follow-up to 2006's *Alright, Still* — which spawned the U.K. No. 1 single *Smile* — and fears she "got away with something" because of the huge success of her first album.

"I left school at 15," Allen said. "I'm not a genius songwriter. I don't think I'm really good at anything. I'm really scared about what people are going to say. ... If people hate it, then I'll just try something else."

Allen said if she does quit singing she would like to work behind the scenes in the music industry, adding to *Rolling Stone* magazine: "I'd really like to do A+R at a record company."

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## celebrity brief

### Beckhams subject of new musical

**THEATRE** A musical based on the lives of Victoria and David Beckham is in production, [femalefirst.co.uk](http://femalefirst.co.uk) reports.

The satirical play, entitled *MacBecks*, is set to open in January.

Long Road Productions, which is involved in the musical and has previously worked with *Riverdance*, say the production draws inspiration from Shakespeare.

The company's director, Ronan Smith, said: "We're very excited by the script — it's a wild comedy romp that borrows from Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, *King Lear*, *Romeo And Juliet*, as well as *Cyrano de Bergerac*."

According to reports, Victoria will be based on Lady Macbeth and be portrayed as a ruthless and ambitious woman who David sacrifices his career for.

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## celebrity brief

### Boy rumoured for Ashlee and Pete

**EXPECTING** Ashlee Simpson is reportedly expecting a baby boy, [femalefirst.co.uk](http://femalefirst.co.uk) reports.

The singer — who married Fall Out Boy rocker Pete Wentz in May — has listed her baby requirements on a gift register at exclusive Los Angeles baby boutique *Petit Tresor*, and they seem to be for a boy. "Almost everything is blue," a source said.

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## Timing key for love, Scarlett says

**RELATIONSHIPS** Newly engaged Scarlett Johansson says falling in love has a lot to do with timing, [usmagazine.com](http://usmagazine.com) reports.

"You don't always meet the right person at the right time," she tells the August issue of *Cosmopolitan*. "It's important for people to figure out their own lives before involving someone else — to gauge where you are and work

on your own issues."

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## Holmes not a big ticket draw?

**BROADWAY** Looks like being married to actor Tom Cruise may not be doing anything for Katie Holmes' career, [perezhilton.com](http://perezhilton.com) reports.

According to new reports, Broadway insiders say early signs reveal there's no public interest in seeing Holmes as *Ann Deever* in *All My Sons*. Sources involved are reportedly beginning to fret that ticket sales aren't going to be as strong as hoped.

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## Amy sneaks out

**PARTYING** Singer Amy Winehouse made a sneaky getaway from her protective father, Mitch, Tuesday for a night on the town with friends, the *New York Daily News* reports.

Despite her father's best attempts, Winehouse, 24, emerged from her house, took off in a friend's red convertible and turned up at the Grand Union Pub in Camden. A reportedly furious Mitch eventually found her there and dragged her back home.

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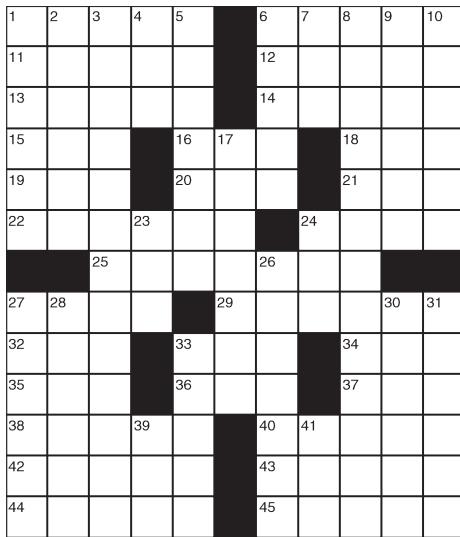
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**Singers** **Mandy Moore** and Ryan Adams have split. The couple has been dating since December, but Adams has now confirmed they are no longer together, blaming the breakup on the heavy media spotlight that followed the pair. [IMDB.COM](#)

## Take Five



## Crossword down

1 Turn  
2 Spotted cat  
3 Ann Beattie book  
4 Musical ability  
5 Menu fish  
6 Gas, for one  
7 Will Smith film  
8 Ann Beattie book  
9 Relaxed  
10 Pigeon perches  
17 Wine experts

23 Piping —  
24 Individual  
26 Bridge player's "raise"  
27 Bullfight parades  
28 "Twelfth Night" heroine  
30 Prickly plant  
31 Accent  
33 Strata  
39 Scottish river  
41 Keats work

## Crossword across

1 Cords  
6 Vatican-based  
11 Mermaid's home  
12 Best of the best  
13 Caesar's land  
14 Cut into cubes  
15 Politico Landon  
16 School org.  
18 Luggage add-on  
19 Nail site  
20 Buddy  
21 Apply  
22 Engravings  
24 Metal sources  
25 Trattoria dessert

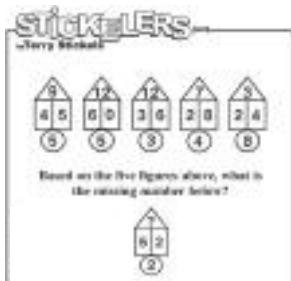
27 Shipping stop  
29 History, essentially  
32 Frothy brew  
33 Three, in Torino  
34 Grasp  
35 Attack command  
36 Syr. neighbor  
37 General practice  
38 Dodge  
40 Western state capital  
42 Crude carrier  
43 Wastes time  
44 Company division  
45 Valleys

## This day in history

JULY 4, 1866: First scheduled Canadian transcontinental train arrives in Port Moody, British Columbia.

JULY 4, 1946: After 381 years of near-continuous colonial rule, the Philippines is granted full independence by the United States.

JULY 4, 1968: Two teens are killed at Lake Herman Road in California. They were the first (known) victims of the Zodiac Killer.



Yesterday's Answer  
"I would never die for any stickers because I might be wrong."  
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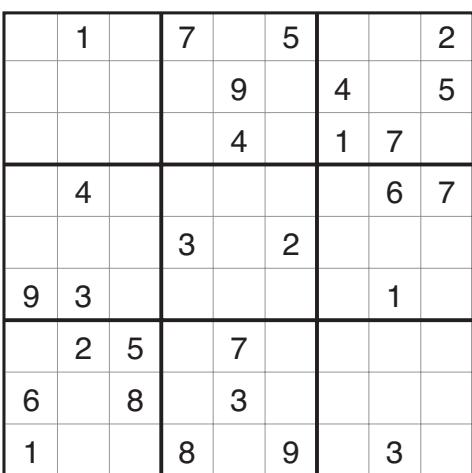


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## Horoscopes

## ARIES

**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**

A man makes changes to a production. The universe is unfolding as it should. Confusion about a friendship is exhausting.



## LIBRA

**SEPT 23-OCT 23**

Make progress toward a favoured outcome. An appreciative person responds to an invitation. Cherish a unique romantic experience.



## TAURUS

**APRIL 21-MAY 21**

Don't be afraid to try something new. Other people's emotions will be embarrassing. You need to talk about the end of a situation.

## SCORPIO

**OCT 24- NOV 22**

A back problem requires professional aid. A foolish friend will make a big mistake. There's a spot of trouble in store.



## GEMINI

**MAY 22-JUNE 21**

Impatience creates hazardous conditions. Eloquence sways the opinions of a wise person. Too much of a good thing is splendid.

## SAGITTARIUS

**NOV 23- DEC 21**

Avoid standing still when obligations arise. Fancy words will fail to move hearts. You'll be bored with other people's issues.



## CANCER

**JUNE 22-JULY 22**

You'll appear to be disenchanted with reality. A dirty dog should be avoided. Unpredictable activity will create high anxiety.

## CAPRICORN

**DEC 22-JAN 20**

Someone's silly attraction will be amusing. There'll be joy when thoughtfulness eases sorrow. Change your diet if you're flabby.



## LEO

**JULY 23-AUG 22**

A champ will suffer while digging up problems. Your dreams will come true, in a good way. Domestic crises will be weathered with ease.

## AQUARIUS

**JAN 21-FEB 18**

A rendezvous can make you merry. Delay decision-making till after the weekend. Too much rushing around will achieve nothing.



## VIRGO

**AUG 24-SEPT 22**

A sweetheart has mysterious plans for fun and frolic. Bingeing on comfort foods can cause trouble. A dear man has heart problems.

## PISCES

**FEB 19-MAR 20**

When in doubt, ask for more information. Following rules will inhibit the activity of desires. A simple solution will be found.

## Sudoku

## INSTRUCTIONS:

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

6	4	7	5	1	8	3	9	2
2	1	8	7	3	9	4	6	5
3	9	5	2	4	6	7	1	8
9	5	2	4	6	7	1	8	3
4	8	1	3	2	5	9	7	6
7	3	6	8	9	1	2	5	4
1	6	4	9	8	3	5	2	7
5	2	9	6	7	4	8	3	1
8	7	3	1	5	2	6	4	9

## SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:

Under 13 ..... Genius  
13-17 ..... Scholar  
17-21 ..... Smart

21-25 ..... Not bad  
25+ ..... Keep practicing

## Calgary weather

## Afternoon



## Tonight



## Saturday



## Sunday



**Monday**



## Temperature

## Normals

High: 22.9°  
Low: 8.9°

Records

High: 32.8°/1919

Low: 2.2°/1900

Sunrise: 5:52 a.m.

Sunset: 9:52 p.m.

Moonrise: 7:16 a.m.

Moonset: 11:14 p.m.



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# Calgary Stampede Line-Up

## Value Days

**Saturday July 6 –**

Petro Canada Family Day –  
Free admission to park  
between 6 and 9 a.m.,  
Free family breakfast  
between 7 and 9:30 a.m.

**Thursday July 8 –**

Western Heritage Day –  
Free admission  
all days for seniors 65 and  
older

**Wednesday July 9 –**

BMO Kids' Day –  
Free admission  
for kids 12 years old and  
under accompanied by adults  
between 6 and 9 a.m.

**Friday July 11 –**

Parlez-Vous Yahoo? –  
Celebration of Quebec's  
40th anniversary

## Calgary Saddledome Concert Series July 10 - July 13

**Thursday July 10 –**

The Judds

**Friday July 12 –**

SugarLand

**Saturday July 12 –**

Kid Rock

**Sunday July 13 –**

James Taylor

## Nashville North Line-Up

**Friday July 4 –**

Aaron Lines 9:30 p.m.

**Saturday July 5 –**

Gord Bamford 9:30 p.m.

**Sunday July 6 –**

Beverley Mahood 9 p.m.

**Monday July 7 –**

Johnny Reid 9 p.m.

**Tuesday July 8 –**

Emerson Drive 9 p.m.

**Wednesday July 9 –**

Kim Mitchell 9:30 p.m.

**Thursday July 10 –**

Mark Chestnutt 9 p.m.

**Friday July 11 –**

Charlie Major 9 p.m.

**Saturday July 12 –**

Crystal Shawanda 9 p.m.

**Sunday July 13 –**

Aaron Pritchett 9 p.m.

**Thursday July 10 –**

MerQury 9 p.m.

**Friday July 11 –**

Natasha Bedingfield 9 p.m.

**Saturday July 12 –**

Dierks Bentley 9 p.m.

**Sunday July 13 –**

Plain White T's 9 p.m.

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4 p.m. – Bell BMX 101

5 p.m. • 6 p.m. • 7 p.m.

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p.m. and 7 p.m.

**July 6, 8, 9** at 10 a.m., 1 p.m.,  
4 p.m., 7 p.m.  
**July 5, 12 and 13** – 11:30 a.m.,  
2 p.m., 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.



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Candidates must display a positive attitude, be goal-oriented, able to problem-solve and work with minimum supervision in a team environment.

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